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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Katsumi AOYAGI et al.

Title:

METHOD OF DETECTING HEPATITIS C VIRUS

Appl. No.:

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Michelle S. Horning

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
  - a. Previously submitted:
  - [ ] Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on \_\_\_.
  - b. Enclosed are:

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[X] Amendment/Reply.

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## The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Prese	Claims	]	Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$810.00	=	\$810.00
Total Claims:	24	-	25	= 0		x	\$52.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	4	-	8	= 0		x	\$220.00	=	\$0.00
Fi	rst presentation	n of a	ny Multiple	Depende	nt Claims:	+	\$390.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	S FEI	E TOTAL:	=	\$810.00

## [X] Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month: \$13	0.00	0	\$0.00				
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month: \$49	\$0.00						
[X]	Extension for response filed within the third month: \$1,11	0.00		\$1,110.00				
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month: \$1,73	0.00	ı	\$0.00				
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month: \$2,35	0.00	ı	\$0.00				
	\$1,110.00							
	\$0.00							
	,	\$1,110.00						
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:								
[]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):							
[]	[ ] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)							
	TOTAL I	EE:	,	\$1,920.00				

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$1,920.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card

transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

March 7, 2011

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